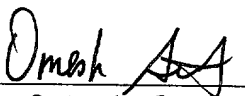


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**DECLARATION OF TIMOTHY JON HAATAJA IN
SUPPORT OF REISSUE APPLICATION**

I, Timothy Jon Haataja, declare as follows:

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2. I have reviewed and understand the contents of the specification and claims of this application, including reissue claims 5-10 added by amendment filed with this declaration.

3. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

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**DECLARATION OF THOMAS WALTER KAMPF IN
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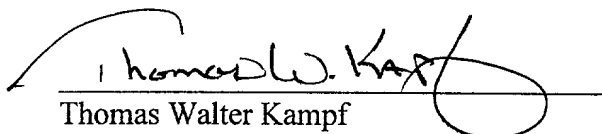
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**DECLARATION OF WAYNE ALBIN JOHNSON IN
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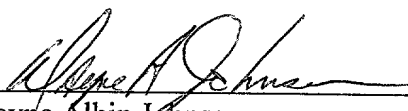
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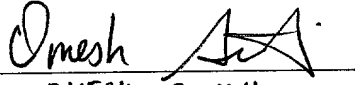

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Gary E. Nault

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ASSENT OF ASSIGNEE AND OFFER TO SURRENDER UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.178

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231


Dear Sir:

The undersigned assignee of the entire interest in the above-mentioned letters patent, hereby assents to the present reissue application. The undersigned assignee also offers to surrender the above-mentioned letters patent, to be effective upon issuance of letters patent for the present reissue application. Incorporated herewith is an attached Certificate Under 37 C.F.R.

ADC Telecommunications, Inc.

Date: 7/11/01

ADC Telecommunications Inc.

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CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b)

ADC Telecommunications, Inc., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Minnesota, having a place of business at 12501 Whitewater Drive, Minnetonka, Minnesota, certifies that it is the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in the patent application identified above by virtue of an assignment from the inventors of the patent application identified above. The assignment was recorded in parts in the Patent and Trademark Office on February 13, 1998, at Reel 9001, Frame 0753 and November 17, 1997, at Reel 8834 , Frame 0725.

The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is empowered to sign this statement on behalf of the assignee.

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